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## MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION CELEBRATES THE COMPLETION OF WESTERN MARYLAND WIND FARM

Maryland Energy Administration Director Malcolm Woolf joins Gestamp Wind and Delmarva Power in dedicating the 50 megawatt Roth Rock Wind Energy Farm LLC in Garrett County.

**Annapolis, Maryland** (November 8, 2011) — Today, Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) Director Malcolm Woolf joined representatives from Gestamp Wind and Delmarva Power at the dedication ceremony for the Roth Rock Wind Energy Farm on Backbone Mountain in Garrett County. The wind farm will convert wind to energy, creating an estimated 50 megawatts of electricity per year which provides enough power for all of the residences in Garrett County. Delmarva Power purchased 80% of the power generated by the wind farm, and the remaining 20% support the University System of Maryland and the Maryland Department of General Services.

"To create jobs, a modern economy requires modern investments. In Maryland, we've made wind energy a priority because it provides clean, much needed electricity, creates jobs, and locks in affordable power for years to come," said Director Woolf. "We've set some of the most aggressive goals in the country for reducing our energy consumption, and increasing our use of renewable energy. Wind energy will diversify our energy portfolio and make us a leader in renewable energy generation and policy."

The Gestamp Wind project is part of MEA's Generating Clean Horizons program in which the State and University System of Maryland committed to purchase 78 megawatts of energy produced from two wind farms and one solar installation over 20 years. The program, which powers 16% of the State's own load through renewable sources, was also recently recognized by Harvard University as one of the top 25 innovations in American government. The Roth Rock Wind Energy Farm, which involved 150 local construction jobs, consists of 20 turbines of 2.5 megawatts each with a total capacity of 50 megawatts.

"Gestamp Wind is very happy with this new project, not only for its technical quality, but also for the financial strength of our partners in this long term investment," said Alejandro Burgaleta, CFO of Gestamp Wind.

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The Maryland Energy Administration's (MEA) mission is to assist Maryland citizens and businesses to save money through smart investments in energy efficiency, renewable energy and conservation. A Maryland state agency, MEA fuels the creation of green jobs by providing funds and resources to expand the use and availability of clean, safe energy in Maryland.